

Letters

Petty Prejudice

Dear Sir,
This year the freshmen were given an opportunity to meet the various campus organizations and to learn about their activities from each group's representative. The idea of having this done all in one afternoon in such a well organized manner is indeed commendable.

It appeared that nearly all campus groups were represented, large and small. A notable exception, however, were the foreign groups. New students from foreign countries no doubt noticed the absence of the Chinese Association and the West Indian Society and took this as an indication of their relative importance and esteem on the Dalhousie campus.

The International Students Association was another group not invited to participate. By the grapevine, the I.S.A. heard about the meeting in time to print a poster and turned up at the gathering. Of course, they were not expected, hence no space or table was provided. The Student Christian Movement benevolently offered to share their facilities and many new students were thus informed of this group's existence.

The I.S.A. was informed that the reason for the exclusion of their group, the Chinese Association, and the West Indian Society was that "there was not enough room" for their groups. The latter two organizations have approximately sixty members, and the I.S.A. has something like one hundred, yet there was space enough for several groups representing twelve or fifteen members. All three of the above groups are actively functioning and fulfilling useful and desirable purposes.

If we wish to make students from other parts feel as part of our fine university, we cannot allow petty prejudice, etc., to prevent them from participating in campus activities with the same privileges as other groups.

RAYMOND DOCKER

Sir:

Within the last few weeks I have filled out all the forms required to start off the year here at Dal, just as you must have. Maybe you didn't notice, but those forms - that sheet of blue cardboard, and the paper registration sheet - required you to fill in your father's nationality twice, your mother's nationality twice, your religion four times, your father's occupation three times, and your own nationality once. How come all the interest in that sort of thing? What does my father's or mother's nationality have to do with my eligibility for attendance at Dal? Why, in a supposedly non-denominational school, do four different sections of the Administration want to know what my religion is?

From my last two summers work with Imperial Oil on their Employee Records System, I know that the only reason Imperial wants to know an employee's religion is that it might be necessary for them to deliver last rites after an industrial accident. Does the Alumni Department anticipate delivering any last rites? Imperial Oil doesn't care what your father's or mother's nationality is - why does Dalhousie? Why does the Administration want to know my father's occupation?

Racial discrimination and religious discrimination are pretty powerful phrases these days, and I certainly don't intend to use them with reference to the Dalhousie Administration. But I would like to know why questions concerned with student's national background and religion are asked so repeatedly on our registration forms.

Either this information is useful, or it is not. If it is useful, I, for one, am interested in knowing in what way it is useful. If it isn't useful, isn't it time to revise the form?

BRIAN PURDY

Dear Sir:

Having recently departed from what I always considered a near-perfect university, I therefore feel safe in suggesting one small improvement. This would be the selection of a name for our newly constructed men's residence.

Since I am suggesting it, the first name that occurs to me is my own - the C.P. Martel Men's Residence. Impressive? - no, you say, because who's C.P. Martel? O.K., then I agree with you. So, let's make it the C.D. Howe Men's Residence.

As everyone on campus should be aware, the name of C. D. Howe has been associated with Dalhousie on both the professional and administrative levels for over 50 years. Why not make it till the second millennium?

C. P. MARTEL
(Classes of '60 and '61)

DAL WELCOMES 45 NEW PROFS

Forty-five new staff members took up posts at Dalhousie for the opening of the 1961-62 academic year this week. They are:-

Faculty of Arts and Science -

Baines, J. R.; Ph.D. (Birmingham), Lecturer in Mathematics.
Black, R. D. H.; B.A. (West. Ont.), M.Ed. (Tor), Asst. Professor of Education.
Brusenbauch, P. A.; M.A. (S. Calif.), Ph.D. (Paris), Asst. Professor of French and German.
Clough, G. C.; B.S. (Union College, Schenectady), M.S. (Mich), Ph.D. (Wisconsin), Assistant Professor of Biology (Zoology).
Cooke, H. B. S.; M.A. (Cantab.), D.Sc. (Witwatersrand), Associate Professor of Geology.
Fraser, John; M.A. (Oxon.), Assistant Professor of English.
Gillett, Miss Margaret; B.A., Dip. Ed. (Sydney, Australia), Ph.D. (Col.), Assistant Professor of Education.

Heasman, D. J. B. Sc. (Lond.), Assistant Professor of Political Science.

Hobart, R. H. B. W. S.; B.S. (M.I.T.), M.S. (Stanford), Ph.D. (Illinois), Assistant Professor of Physics.

Journoud, Sylvain; L. es L. (Aix-Marseilles), D. d'Etudes Superieures CAPES, Assistant Professor of French.

Keen, M. J.; B.A. (Oxon.), Ph.D. (Cantab.), Assistant Professor of Oceanography, attached to Department of Geology.

Leffek, K. T.; Ph.D. (London), Assistant Professor of Chemistry.

Mercer, E. B.; B.Sc. '37, Lecturer in Mathematics.

MacMillan, L. W. (Jan. 2/62); M.A. (Sask.), Assistant Professor of Physics and Associate of Institute of Oceanography.

MacQuarrie, I. G.; B.Sc. '57, M.Sc. '58, Ph.D. (Lond.), Assistant Professor of Biology (Botany).

Ripley, J. D., M.A. (U.N.B.), Lecturer in English.

Roulston, Mrs. Ellis; B.A. (Sir George Williams), Assistant Professor of German (part time staff).

Schlomiuc, Norbert; (Bucharest), Lecturer in Mathematics.

Shaw, D. C.; B. Com. '58, C.A., Assistant Professor of Accounting.

Sinclair, A. M.; B.A. '46, B.A. B. Phil (Oxon), Assistant Professor of Economics.

Stpyva, J. M.; M.A. (U.B.C.), Assistant Professor of Psychology.

Weisz, Pierre; L. es L., (Paris), D. d'Etudes Superieures CAPES (Paris), Assistant Professor of French.

Whiteley, J. N.; B. Sc. (Rhodes), Ph.D. (London), Assistant Professor of Mathematics.

Whittier, H. S.; B.S. (U.S. Naval Acad.), M.A. (New Hampshire), Ph.D. (Yale), Assistant Professor of English.

Wilson, D. F.; B. F. A. (Carnegie Inst. Tech.), M. of Music in Music Literature (Eastern School of Music, U. of Rochester), Special Lecturer in Music (part time staff).

Faculty of Medicine
Chadwick, Paul; M.B.B.S. (Lond.), Associate Professor of Bacteriology.

Hatcher, G. H. (Jan. 1/61); B.A., M.D., C.M. (McGill), D.P.N. (Tor.), Professor and Head of the Department of Preventive Medicine.

Metuzals, James; Ph.D. (Hamburg), Assistant Professor of Anatomy.

Norvell, S. T.; B.Sc., M.D. (Illinois), F.R.C.S. (C.), Assistant Professor of Surgery.

Ozere, R. L.; B.Sc. (McGill), M.D. (Ottawa), Assistant Professor of Paediatrics (also Lecturer in Preventive Medicine and Bacteriology).

Rees, Thomas H.; B.Sc. (Deni-



AFTER THE BOMB OR LIFE ON MARS? - Students participating in the recent initiation at Dalhousie hunted for their shoes on the football field, before the programme of activities was curtailed because of the mental anguish suffered by the students.

WILKINSON ANNOUNCES LIBRARY CHANGES

The Macdonald Memorial Library this year has two reading rooms - one for the Humanities, the other for the Social Sciences.

Each reading room contains approximately 2,000 books chosen from the stack collection by the Library and the Faculty.

The Humanities Reading Room - in Room 6 on the ground floor - is intended to serve readers in Classics, English Literature, Fine Arts, Modern Languages, Music, Philosophy, and Theology. The Social Sciences Reading Room on the second floor will serve readers in Commerce, Economics, Education, History, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology.

In addition to the books in the two central Reading Rooms, the most popular periodicals are also available in these areas, as are new pamphlet file folders of ephemeral materials. Canadian and United Nations official publications are controlled from the Social Science Division.

The Main Catalogue remains on the second floor although its position has been slightly changed. However, every card referring to a book which has been placed in one of the Divisional Reading Rooms now has a location symbol written in below the call number in the left hand margin. Symbol for the Humanities Reading Room is HUM, and a gold star appears on the back of each Humanities book. Symbol for the Social Sciences is SS, and a red star appears on the back of each Social Science book. If no symbol is given beneath the call number, the book should be found in the stacks.

The reader should always start by checking the public catalogue if he doesn't already know the location of the book he wants.

If the reader is looking for material on a subject rather than for a specific title, it is suggested he start with the Reading Room which is responsible for that subject. The Humanities Division - some distance from the Main Catalogue, - has its own author, title, and subject dictionary catalogue for the books in the Humanities Reading Room. The Science Division also has its own catalogue in the Dunn Science Library. The main Catalogue, however, includes an author, title, and subject listing for every book in the Arts and Science collection, and so covers all the Reading Rooms in one file.

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all to attend the try-outs.

The play is scheduled to open its three-day run Nov. 22.

Mr. Borne said personnel were also needed for stage crew, electrical crew, costumes, make-up, properties and other "behind-the-scenes" operations.

Mr. Borne also announced the Connolly Shield one-act play competition would be held early in November. He asked all campus organizations interested in entering plays to contact a DGDS official. Announcements, he said, would be posted.

Reference Books" the books on the shelves around the walls of the Reading Rooms may be borrowed for either three days or two weeks. If the loan period is three days, this information is given on the book card pocket. If the loan period is two weeks, the book card pocket is not stamped.

Books which are in very heavy demand may, at the request of a member of the faculty, be restricted to three hour loan periods. Some books are clearly marked with a beige wrapper stamped "3 HOUR RESERVE". All three-hour reserve books taken out between 12 noon and 3 p.m. are due back at 3 p.m. Three-hour reserve books taken out between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. are due back at 6 p.m.; and if taken out between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m., they are due back at 9 p.m. At 9 p.m. three-hour reserve books go out overnight and are due back in the reading rooms at 10 a.m. the following day.

Where there are multiple copies of a three-hour reserve title, the reading room may allow all but the last two copies to go out for overnight at 6 p.m. Humanities three-hour reserve books are shelved behind the Humanities check-out desk. Social Sciences three-hour reserve books are shelved behind the Main Circulation Desk on the second floor, since this desk acts also as the check out desk for Social Sciences material.

Many current files of periodicals are kept unbound for one year in the appropriate reading room. These unbound issues may be taken out overnight at 9 p.m. and must be returned at 10 a.m. unless permission for an extended loan is granted by divisional librarian.

Library officials realize mistakes are bound to occur, both on the part of the staff and the users of the Library. Students are requested to ask a Librarian for help if they have any trouble respecting Library use. To make the transition from the old system to the new somewhat easier, the Library will excuse borrowers from all fines incurred during the first two weeks of the 1961 Fall term.

STUDENTS TO MARCH ON OTTAWA

MONTREAL (CUP) - It's now estimated that about one thousand people in all will take part in the Combined Universities Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament picketing Parliament Hill Thanksgiving weekend.

The CUCND Secretariat reports that students will be accompanied by members of their families for the marathon protest.

Dimitrios Roussopoulos, chairman of the campaign said "We are picketing for 73 hours in memory of the 73,000 people killed on the immediate blast of the atomic bomb at Hiroshima."

Liberal leader Lester B. Pearson and New Democratic Party Leader Tommy Douglas have also been invited to speak to the rally.

HALL TO GET 2 NEW WINGS

Shirreff Hall - The University's residence for girls is to have two wings added to the present building, doubling the present capacity of 114.

One of the new wings will be added to the south of the Hall, while the other will be built on the east.

Construction on the new wings is to start shortly, and it is estimated the wings will be completed in time for next year's academic term.

Although university regulations forbid girl students to board in Halifax except with relatives, the Hall this year received twice as many applications as it could handle. Many late applications were refused.

Calling all actors

Auditions for the Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society's first production will be held Tuesday, Oct. 10, in the Education theatre.

Although DGDS president Laurie Borne says no definite decision about the play to be presented has been made yet, he welcomed

COAT FOUND

At Dr. Kerr's residence. Reversible, cream and green. Owner phone Dr. Kerr's residence.